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DATE: November 24, 2008

TO: ELIGIBLE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

RE: REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTENT TO CONDUCT REMOTE CALLER BINGO PURSUANT
TO SB 1369 (Cedillo and Battin, Chapter 748, Statutes of 2008)

SB 1369 authorizes eligible nonprofit organizations to conduct a new type of bingo game - "remote caller bingo". The bill, in part, requires the California Gambling Control Commission (Commission) to regulate remote caller bingo, including, but not limited to, licensure and operation. This bill becomes effective on January 1, 2009.

Letter of Intent to Conduct Remote Caller Bingo

To effectively implement this new law in a timely manner, the Commission is seeking information from eligible nonprofit organizations that plan to submit applications to conduct remote caller bingo. SB 1369 authorizes persons to submit a letter of intent to the Commission, beginning January 31, 2009, indicating their interest in submitting a future application to conduct remote caller bingo. As the Commission plans to implement interim regulations to expedite the implementation of remote caller bingo, we are requesting that you submit your letter of intent by January 2, 2009. Please see Attachment A for a sample format for letters of intent. To determine whether your nonprofit organization is eligible to conduct remote caller bingo, please refer to SB 1369, Penal Code section 326.3. The bill is available online via the California Legislative Counsel's website at www.leginfo.ca.gov.

Advance Notice of Intent to Conduct Remote Caller Bingo

For future reference, SB 1369 also requires organizations authorized to conduct remote caller bingo to provide the Commission with at least 30 days' advance written notice of its intent to conduct those games. This notice will be required later in the process in 2009, after organizations have had sufficient time to identify specific details related to remote caller bingo. That notice is required to include all of the following:

- (A) The legal name of the organization and the address of record of the agent upon whom legal notice may be served.
- (B) The locations of the caller and remote players, whether the property is owned by the organization or donated, and if donated, by whom.
- (C) The name of the licensed caller and site manager.
- (D) The names of administrative, managerial, technical, financial, and security personnel employed.
- (E) The name of the vendor and any person or entity maintaining the equipment used to operate and transmit the game.
- (F) The name of the person designated as having fiduciary responsibility for the game.
- (G) The license numbers of all persons above who are required to be licensed.
- (H) A copy of the local ordinance(s) for the cities and/or counties in which the game will be played.

Thank you in advance for assisting us in the implementation of SB 1369. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Littleton, Acting Deputy Director, Licensing Division at (916) 263-4787.

Sincerely,

Terresa A. Cia
Executive Director

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Gilbert Cedillo
The Honorable Jim Battin
Ms. Cori Ayala
Mr. Daniel Savage
Ms. Kathryn A. Lynch
Mr. John Lovell
Mr. Kenneth M. Larsen

Attachment A

California Gambling Control Commission

**Sample Letter of Intent to Submit an Application for Registration or Licensure of
Remote Caller Bingo**

Please include the following:

- (1) Legal name of the organization and type of organization (e.g. fraternal order, religious corporation, senior citizens organization, etc.).
- (2) Name, telephone number and email address of principal applicant.
- (3) Estimate of frequency that remote caller bingo games will be conducted (e.g. weekly, monthly, etc.).
Note: An organization cannot conduct remote caller bingo more than one day per week.
- (4) Estimated number of locations that will participate in remote caller bingo.

Letters may be mailed to:

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